

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

REVISED CHIEF HEARING OFFICER DIRECTIVE

DOCKET NOS. 2020-229-E ORDER NO. 2021-38-H

APRIL 5, 2021

CHIEF HEARING OFFICER: David Butler

DOCKET DESCRIPTION:

Dominion Energy South Carolina, Incorporated's Establishment of a Solar Choice Metering Tariff Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-40-20 (See Docket No. 2019-182-E)

MATTER UNDER CONSIDERATION:

Motion for an Extension to Deadlines for Proposed Orders and Post-Hearing Briefs

CHIEF HEARING OFFICER'S ACTION:

This revised Directive is being issued to correct the Docket Number on the original Directive. The remainder of the Order is unchanged.

This matter comes before the Chief Hearing Officer on the Motion for an Extension to Deadlines for Proposed Orders and Post-Hearing Briefs filed by the South Carolina Coastal Conservation League, Southern Alliance for Clean Energy, and Upstate Forever (collectively, "the Movants"). The current deadline for all parties to file Proposed Orders and Post-Hearing Briefs is April 5, 2021. The Movants state that, although they have received a scoped copy of the Transcript and believe that the transcript may be made available before the current April 5, 2021 deadline for the filing of Proposed Orders and/or Post-Hearing Briefs, as of the filing of the Motion herein, the Transcript has not yet been made available.

The Movants further note that due to the length of the hearing, they believe that the transcript will be well over 1,000 pages. Further, Movants believe that because the number of issues addressed in witness testimony on the stand, it would be unfeasible to incorporate Transcript references into Proposed Orders and/or Post-Hearing Briefs, even if the Transcript was made available today by the present deadline. Counsel for the Movants asserts that the Commission will benefit from proposed orders and post-hearing briefs that reflect a full and complete record of the proceeding.

Accordingly, Movants request an extension of time to file Proposed Orders and/or Post-Hearing Briefs in this proceeding. Movants request that the deadline be extended from April 5, 2021 to April 12, 2021, assuming a Transcript is made available to counsel by April 2, 2021. If the Transcript is not available by April 2, Movants request a further extension of the deadline for filings.

According to the Movants, the Office of Regulatory Staff, Dominion Energy South Carolina, Solar Energy Industries Association, and Frank Knapp indicated that they do not object to this request. Alder Energy Systems, LLC, North Carolina Sustainable Energy Association, and Vote Solar indicated their support of this request. Dominion Energy South Carolina, Incorporated filed a letter of clarification, stating that it did not object to an extension until April 12, 2021 for the filing of the Proposed Orders and Post-Hearing Briefs.

Accordingly, based on the facts stated above, the extension from April 5, 2021 to April 12, 2021 for the filing of Proposed Orders and/or Post-Hearing Briefs with the Commission in this Docket is hereby granted to all parties. Any additional extensions to this date must be requested in separate Motions. This ends the Chief Hearing Officer's Directive.